Portland, Ore - Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D - Ore) will discuss his thoughts and observations from his fact finding trip to Southeast Asia following the deadly tsunamis that struck there in late December. His speech to the City Club of Portland's monthly meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, February 25th at 12:15pm at the Governor Hotel.

Blumenauer, a member of the House International Relations Committee's Asia Subcommittee, returned in mid January from his trip to Southeast Asia with a congressional delegation to survey damage. Upon return from his trip, he testified before the full committee, reporting on the findings of his trip.

During the week he was in Asia, Blumenauer visited with survivors, international aid workers, including Mercy Corps staff, and government officials in India, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Indonesia. As part of his speech, he will share photos and observations from his trip and recommendations for future US foreign policy.

WHO: Congressman Earl Blumenauer

WHAT: City Club Speech on Tsunami Relief Efforts

WHERE: City Club of Portland

Third Floor Ballroom, Governor Hotel

614 SW 11th Avenue

WHEN: Program begins at 12:15pm (concludes by 1:15pm)

Friday, February 25, 2005